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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
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Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Application of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated for Adjustment of Rates and Charges (*This filing includes a request for an increase to retail electric rates) (See Commission Order No. 2020-313). **Docket No. 2020-125-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

This letter is to advise the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") plans to contact all parties to fulfill ORS's statutory duty to "resolve disputes and issues involving matters within the jurisdiction of the commission[.]" S.C. Code Ann. § 58-4-50(9).

Consistent with this statutory duty, ORS will be contacting parties to this docket for the purpose of identifying contested issues on which the parties may find agreement as well as discussing appropriate compromises.

ORS will continue these outreach efforts with the other parties and keep the Commission apprised of any facts to which ORS and the parties stipulate or any settlement reached between ORS and the other parties. Please note, however, that in order to promote and preserve its ability to fulfill its duty to seek resolution of disputes and issues within the jurisdiction of the Commission, ORS expressly reserves the right to assert the protections of South Carolina Rule of Evidence 408 regarding the admissibility of any evidence related to settlement communications.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Bateman

cc: All Parties of Record (via electronic mail)
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